REMARKS CONCERNING DRAWING REVIEW

Applicant believes that the corrected drawings submitted with this Response will fully and satisfactorily meet all of the objections set out by the Draftsperson in the PTO-948. Aside from Applicant's belief that the appended drawings will satisfy all of the Draftsperson's objections, however, Applicant submits that the limitations set forth in the NOTICE of (1) a two month period and (2) only one opportunity to correct the drawings are improper and should not be applicable in this case. Even the NOTICE itself emphasizes why these limitations are improper.

The NOTICE states "The <u>corrected</u> drawings are <u>still</u> not acceptable ..." (emphasis mine). A review of the record, however, will show that Applicant has never before submitted "corrected" drawings. In fact, the only drawings previously submitted in this case are those filed with the original application--- drawings which were

- 1. checked in line #10 in the Summary (copy attached) of an Office Action dated 10/19/2004, as being accepted by the Examiner, and
- 2. checked in line #3 in the Notice of Allowability dated 06/06/2005 (copy attached) as being accepted by the Examiner.

Accordingly, prior to receipt of the recent NOTICE, Applicant had no notice, warning or even any inkling that the original drawings were not acceptable. Thus, at this late date, it is believed clearly improper to afford Applicant only a shortened 2 month period and only one opportunity of provide corrected drawings.

Applicant believes that the appended drawings will fully and satisfactorily meet all

requirements of the Draftsperson. However, should the Draftsperson find some minor

informality in the corrected drawings, Applicant believes it only reasonable and proper

that she have an opportunity, which she herewith requests, to correct that informality in

a timely manner without the specter of abandonment of her application. A telephone

call to Applicant's agent would be appreciated should any further action be necessary in

this matter.

Respectfully Submitted

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CORRECTED DRAWINGS

Applicant herewith submits a complete set of fully corrected drawings and respectfully requests that such corrected drawings be substituted for the drawings now present in the above identified application. These corrected drawings are identical to the original drawings in this case except for (a) the several corrections specified herebelow and (b) very minor rearrangement of some of the reference characters to accommodate space requirements.

All objections noted by the Draftsperson in the PTO-948 dated 09-14-05 and attached to the above referenced NOTICE are believed to have been fully met in the appended set of corrected drawings, as follows:

- 3. TYPE OF PAPER: A careful perusal of the corrected drawings will show no evidence of erasures, alterations, overwritings, interlineations, folds or copy machine marks.
- 10. CHARACTER OF LINES, NUMBERS, & LETTERS: All lines, numbers and letters throughout the drawings are now uniformly thick and well defined, clean, durable and black.
- 12. NUMBERS, LETTERS & REFERENCE CHARACTERS: All numbers, letters and reference characters are now plain, legible, and exceed 1/8" in height, and all figure legends are good.

In view of the foregoing it is believed clear that the corrected drawings will fully meet the Draftsperson's objections and place the present application in condition for issuance.